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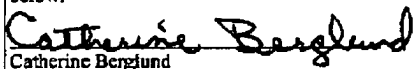
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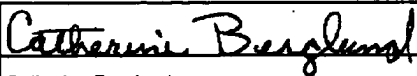
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 26, 2004

Dear Sir:

This is a Response to the Office Action with mailing date August 26, 2004 (hereafter 'the Office Action.'). Claims 1-33 are in the case. Applicants submit an Amendment correcting minor typographical errors in the specification and claims. Applicants acknowledge with thanks a telephone conference with Examiner Patel of Monday,

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November 15, 2004, discussing the above referenced case. As discussed in that telephone conference, Applicants present the following remarks demonstrating that claims 1-33 are patentable and the case is in condition for allowance.

One-Month Extension of Time

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the time for reply for one month from November 26, 2004, to December 26, 2004. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 503082 for the fee for extension of time according to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a).

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.